

Does early voting affect election results?

No, because even when citizens vote early, their votes are not counted until the polls close on election night.

This prevents official information from being released about which candidate is ahead or behind, which could possibly influence voters who wait until Election Day to vote.

The one thing that all U.S. localities have in common is that no votes are officially tabulated and publicized until after the polls have closed.

Although U.S. television networks often conduct a joint exit poll of people who have just voted in the national elections, this practice has received critical scrutiny in recent years.



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